



Engaging stakeholders in trans-disciplinary research on agriculture and flood risk management

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Abstract:

New priorities in agricultural and flood defence policies, evident in the reformed EU Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), EU directives on the Water Framework and Habitat, and UK government initiatives such as Making Space for Water, are encouraging a re-appraisal of land management in rural areas, shifting from primarily agricultural production to delivering a variety of services including flood risk management. This shift affects rural livelihoods, or more specifically the livelihoods of farmers who are increasingly perceived as environmental stewards rather than food producers. This paper presents the results of two research projects on the opportunities and constraints of using agricultural land for flood risk management in upland areas and in floodplains. The findings are based on farmer interviews and stakeholder workshops. The views of farmers on recent policy changes are discussed as well as their views on the increasing calls to deliver services such as flood risk management. Policy makers that seek to promote multifunctional agriculture and integrated flood risk management need to take these perceptions into account to assure farmer cooperation.

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Resource Description

Communication:

resource focus on research or methods on how to communicate or frame issues on climate change; surveys of attitudes, knowledge, beliefs about climate change

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Communication Audience:

audience to whom the resource is directed

Policymaker

Exposure :

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Extreme Weather Event, Food/Water Security

Extreme Weather Event: Flooding

Climate Change and Human Health Literature Portal

Food/Water Security: Agricultural Productivity

Geographic Feature: 

resource focuses on specific type of geography

Rural

Geographic Location: 

resource focuses on specific location

Non-United States

Non-United States: Europe

Health Impact: 

specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

Health Outcome Unspecified

Intervention: 

strategy to prepare for or reduce the impact of climate change on health


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Mitigation/Adaptation: 

mitigation or adaptation strategy is a focus of resource

Adaptation

Population of Concern: A focus of content

Population of Concern: 

populations at particular risk or vulnerability to climate change impacts

Workers

Resource Type: 

format or standard characteristic of resource

Research Article

Timescale: 

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified

Vulnerability/Impact Assessment: 

resource focus on process of identifying, quantifying, and prioritizing vulnerabilities in a system

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